Education to Villages

3091. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that while addressing the United Nations Scientific Cultural Organisation training workshop he stressed the need to take education to villages;

(b) if so, what are the Central schemes presently in operation in this connection;

(c) whether Government propose to introduce any new schemes in this regard; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CUTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Minister of Human Resource Development in his inaugural address to the Regional Training Workshop in literacy organised jointly by United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation, Ministry of Human Resource Development and Directorate of Adult Education from 23-10-1985 to 4.11.1985, has emphasised the need for micro planning on the basis of conditions obtaining in the villages.

(b), (c) and (d) Adult Education Programme is being implemented through the following schemes:—

(1) Centrally sponsored scheme of Rural Functional Literacy Projects;

(2) Central Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Agencies working in the field of adult education;

(3) State Sector Scheme of State Adult Education Programmes;

(4) Adult Education Programme by universities and colleges; and

(5) Adult Education through Shramik Vidyapeeths.

Nearly 95 per cent of the Adult Education Programme is for rural people who live in villages.

Sacking of the Chairman of the IAAI

3092. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:

SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the acting Chairman of the International Airports Authority of India has been sacked unceremoniously;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what were the reasons for the delay in the completion of the Indira Gandhi International Airport Terminal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The current duties of the post of Chairman I.AA.I were being performed by the Member (Operations) in addition to his normal duties. This arrangement was reviewed and it was decided to relieve the Member (Operations) of the additional duties.

(c) Delay in the completion of the project was due to increase in the scope of work, deviations from the original scheme on account of the requirements of airlines and other users, non-availability of construction materials like structural steel and cement at the appropriate time, unreliable power supply during the construction period, occurence of certain cracks in the taxi track etc.

Delay in construction of Indira Gandhi International Airport Terminal

3093. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indira Gandhi International Airport Terminal which was scheduled to be

opened in November this year has not yet been completed;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in this regard; and

(c) by when the Terminal is likely to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delay in the completion of the project was due to increase in the scope of work, deviations from the original scheme on account of the requirements of airlines and other users, non-availability of construction materials like structural steel and cement at the appropriate time, unreliable power supply during the construction period, occurrence of certain cracks the taxi tracks etc.

(c) The terminal will be commissioned in the next few months.

Decasualisation system at ports

3094. DR. SHANTI G. PATEL:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to discontinue the decasualisation system at the Major ports in the country;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what are the new systems proposed to be introduced to meet the problems of streamlining the workload in the ports and providing adequate and regular work to the workers engaged in the loading and unloading of cargo?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government have not taken a decision regarding introduction of any new systems for this purpose.

Changing the Name of the UGC

3095. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to change the name of the University Grants Commission and to have only eminent educationists and academicians on its body to emphasise its academic nature?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): There is no proposal under Government's consideration to change the name of the University Grants Commission. According to the UGC Act, 1956, the Commission consists of a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman and ten other Members, of whom not less than four should be teachers; two should be from among the officers of the Central Government; and the remainder should be from among persons who have knowledge of, or experience in, agriculture, commerce, forestry or industry, or are members of engineering, legal, medical or other learned professions, or are Vice-Chancellors.

Diet prescribed for Participants of various Sports Events

3096. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prescribed any diet for the participants of various sports events;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what steps are being taken to popularise those diet among participants?